

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 and 13-56 are pending. Claims 17-32 and 35-56 have been withdrawn from consideration.

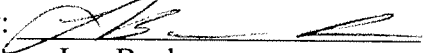
Applicants acknowledge with thanks allowance of claims 1, 3-9, 13-16, 33, and 34. The Examiner reiterated rejection of claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly indefinite. While Applicants do not concede indefiniteness of the rejected claim 2, Applicants have cancelled claim 2 in the present Amendment to advance the prosecution.

Thus, all claims in the present application stand allowed.

In view of the foregoing, the Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issuance are earnestly solicited. In the event that there are any fees due and owing in connection with this matter, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 50-3221.

Respectfully submitted,

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